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OF A PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION PERMIT
WHICH REGULATES THE EMISSION OF AIR POLLUTANTS
PUBLIC NOTICE NO. NVC 05-01

The Region 9 office of the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is requesting public comment on a proposed permit for the Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) of air quality, to be issued in accordance with 40 CFR 52.21 to Ash Grove Cement Company for the Moapa Paiute Plant.

Ash Grove has applied for a PSD permit for the construction and operation of the Moapa Paiute Cement Plant, a Portland cement manufacturing plant located near the city of Moapa, in Clark County, Nevada. The proposed facility will consist of a limestone quarry, a cement manufacturing facility (including raw material receiving, fuel preparation and a cement kiln) and final cement milling, storage and load-out and associated support equipment. The proposed permit limits emissions from the kiln of nitrogen oxides (NO_x) to 1.95 pounds per ton of clinker produced, emissions from the kiln of carbon monoxide (CO) to meet a limit of 1.05 pounds per ton of clinker produced and emissions from the kiln of sulfur dioxide (SO₂) to meet a limit of 0.42 pounds per ton of clinker produced. The proposed permit also requires opacity limits of 10% at the kiln and the clinker cooler and 5% at all of the other baghouses at the plant. The proposed permit will require the use of low NO_x burners, multi-stage combustion and Selective Non-Catalytic Reduction to control emission of NO_x. The proposed permit will require the use of inherent dry scrubbing and dry lime injection to control emissions of SO₂ and the use of good combustion control to minimize the emissions of CO and Volatile Organic Compounds. EPA has determined that the use of the control devices and proposed emission limits meet the requirements of 40 CFR 52.21.

The proposed project will not violate any of the National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS), and will not violate any PSD increment.

Copies of the Proposed Permit and other pertinent information may be obtained at the Moapa River Indian Reservation tribal headquarters, 1 Lincoln St., Moapa, NV 89025 and the Clark County Department of Air Quality and Environmental Management, 500 South Grand Central Parkway, Las Vegas, NV 89155-1776

These documents are also available on the EPA Region 9 website at:
<http://www.epa.gov/region09/air/permit/> and may be obtained by calling Charles Aldred at (415) 972-3986, or by writing to:

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The Administrative Record for our proposed action, which consists of the proposed permit, all data submitted by the applicant in support of the permit and additional documents relied upon to issue the proposed permit, is available for public inspection Monday through Friday from 9:00 A.M. until 4:00 P.M. in the Air Division of EPA (17th Floor), Region 9, 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, California. Due to building security procedures, please call 24 hours in advance to arrange a visit. All public documents that are available in electronic form may be requested via email. Please contact Charles Aldred for further information.

Comments on or objections to the proposed permit may be faxed, e-mailed, or delivered in writing to Charles Aldred at the address shown above. Comments that are sent via fax or email or are hand-delivered must be received within thirty days from publication of this public notice, and comments sent by regular mail must be postmarked by that date.

All comments will be included in the public docket without changes and may be made available to the public, including any personal information provided, unless the comment includes Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Information that you consider CBI or otherwise protected should be clearly identified as such and should not be submitted through e-mail. If you send e-mail directly to EPA, your e-mail address will be automatically captured and included as part of the public comment. Please note that an e-mail or postal address must be provided with your comments if you wish to receive direct notification of EPA's final decision regarding the permit and its responses to the comments submitted during the public comment period.

A final decision to set the conditions of and issue a Final Permit, or to deny the application for a permit, shall be made after all comments have been considered. Notice of the final decision and our response to significant comments shall be sent to each person who has submitted written comments or requested notice of the final permit decision. The decision will become effective 30 days from the date of issuance unless the decision is appealed to the Environmental Appeals Board pursuant to 40 CFR 124.19 (any person who submits written comments on the proposed permit may petition the Environmental Appeals Board to review any part of the permit decision within 30 days after the decision has been issued. Any person who failed to file comments on the proposed permit may petition for review by the Environmental Appeals Board only those parts of the final permit decision which are different than the proposed permit).

If this proposed permit becomes final, and there is no appeal, construction and operation of the facility identified above may begin subject to the conditions of the permit and other applicable permit and legal requirements.

Please bring this notice to the attention of all persons who you know would be interested in this matter.